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January 07, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

45 January 7, 2014

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF TWO (2) QUINT-TYPE AERIAL LADDER APPARATUS (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) is requesting approval to acquire two (2) quint-type aerial ladder apparatus. The approximate cost for two (2) quint-type aerial ladder apparatus is \$2.08 million for both apparatus. This purchase exceeds the \$250,000 capital asset threshold established by your Board and requires your approval to move forward with the acquisition process.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY:

1. Approve the District's request and authorize the Internal Services Department, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the open-competitive purchase solicitation of two (2) quint-type aerial ladder apparatus.
2. Find that this purchase is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The District has a 20-year replacement plan for fire apparatus, consisting of 15 years of front-line service and 5 years of reserve service. A quint-type aerial ladder apparatus provides the ability to

perform as both a fire suppression pumper and aerial ladder truck. Acquiring these apparatus will allow the District to maintain the current apparatus replacement schedule.

The new apparatus will have enclosed cabs, improved fire fighter safety features, cost effective components to reduce annual operating costs and higher efficiency, and lower emission diesel engines. These features enable the District to continue providing prompt, skillful, and cost-effective fire protection, and life safety services.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This purchase supports the County's Strategic Plan Goal #1, Operational Effectiveness, by supporting timely and efficient customer service; Goal #2, Fiscal Sustainability, by adhering to the District's Financial Plan, remaining within budget and minimizing reliance on one-time funds; and Goal #3, Integrated Service Delivery, by leveraging resources and providing multi-tasked apparatus to support emergency public safety services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total estimated cost of the two (2) quint-type aerial ladder apparatus is approximately \$2.08 million. The District's 2013-14 Fiscal Year budget includes sufficient funding for this purchase.

The maintenance of the apparatus will be funded from the District's Operating Budget. There is no impact to net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The nature of firefighting and National Fire Protection Agency requirements have changed dramatically, and the new apparatus will be significantly more efficient and effective than those they are replacing.

On October 16, 2001, your Board adopted a policy whereby departments must obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater prior to submitting requisitions to the County's Purchasing Agent.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The acquisition of these apparatus is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act as it will not result in a direct or reasonable foreseeable impact on the environment in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the State of California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This is a commodity purchase under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The purchase will be requisitioned through, and accomplished by the Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

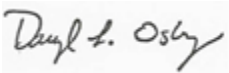
The new apparatus will greatly enhance the District's ability to protect lives, the environment, and property in a safe, more efficient, and cost effective manner.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, please electronically submit an adopted Statement of Proceedings to the following:

Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County
Executive Office, Business Operations
Acting Chief Deputy Mark J. Bennett
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daryl L. Osby".

DARYL L. OSBY
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c: Chief Executive Office
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel